

THE PARISH CHURCH OF
SAINT PAUL
GRANGE-OVER-SANDS



to everything
there is a season,
and a time
to every purpose
under the heaven.

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September 2023

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Normal services at The Parish Church of Saint Paul

Sundays - 11.00 am - Parish Service

Wednesdays - 10.00 am - Holy Communion

and at The Fell Church, Grange-over-Sands

9.30 am Second Sunday - Matins (BCP)

9.30 am - Fourth Sunday - Holy Communion (BCP)



Fifth Sunday of the Month

United Service within the Benefice

ST PAUL'S MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to **build confidence in Jesus Christ**
in the **heart of the community** through **prayer,**
worship and learning, in joy and practical service
to the wider world.

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Dear friends,

A fascinating aspect of the English language is that it contains many phrases and sayings which, although they are often used today, clearly have their origins in a bygone age. When we are told 'Never look a gift horse in the mouth' we know that the speaker is telling us to respect the giving of a present and not to carp about any possible shortcomings. It is effective communication even though most of us have never been given a horse, and we would not know how to tell its age by looking at its teeth! The expression is a quaint one and it survives in modern times. It tells us a little about life long ago and its use is harmless. However, some old-fashioned phrases reveal ancient prejudices and beliefs which may cause hurt and resentment. Not many of us would use the expression 'It's like looking for a nigger in a woodpile', even though this saying was in common use not so long ago. It is comforting to think that society has 'moved on' and that we have become more sensitive to the feelings of others.

Convenient shorthand phrases can still reveal the possible limits to the thinking of the speaker who may be unintentionally endorsing a narrowing of perspective. When someone says 'We need to have a closer look at this' we usually nod in agreement assuming that a nearer stance will show more detail and enable us to better understand what we are looking at. Another response to this phrase is 'No, we need to stand back for a wider view; a distant perspective will be more helpful'. Both thoughts are valid but illustrate that colloquial language is not always the best language and its widespread use may owe more to laziness than literacy acumen.

In the parable of the tax collector, Jesus' association with tax collectors and sinners shocked the sensibilities of orthodox Jews. When the Pharisees challenged his unorthodox behaviour in eating with public sinners, Jesus' defence was quite simple. A doctor doesn't need to visit healthy people; instead he goes to those who are sick. Jesus came as the divine physician and good shepherd to care for his people and to restore them to wholeness of life. The choice by Jesus of the physical healing metaphor clearly gives us the message that all people are in need of spiritual healing.

Jesus' power to heal continues today as, through prayer, we bring to him our struggles, our wounds and our failings. On Sunday 17 September the 11am service at St Paul's Church will be a special service of prayer for healing and wholeness led by Canon Dr Alison Fleetwood, the Diocesan Healing Adviser. Come and experience for yourself the power of Jesus' healing and hope.

God bless.

Revd Annette

FROM THE REGISTERS - SEPTEMBER 2023



BAPTISM ANNIVERSARIES

Sadee Murphy 19th September 2021
Albert David Richards 25th September 2022

YEAR'S MIND

Nancy Atkinson 19th September 2019
Robin Henry Lever 21st September 2019
Olga Batty Edwards 24th September 2022

*“In sure and certain hope
of the resurrection to
eternal life through our
Lord Jesus Christ”*

Deaths in the previous five years are included in the magazine, but each name in our remembrance book for the last 10 years is read out in the intercessions at St Paul's Sunday morning service.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY IN SEPTEMBER 2023

- Friday, 1st** 5 pm - **Wedding Rehearsal**, St Paul's
6-8 pm - **Repair Café**, Methodist Hall
- Saturday, 2nd** 8.30 am - **Men's Breakfast**, Methodist Hall
12 noon - **Wedding** of Elizabeth Barker & Matthew Wilson
- Wednesday, 6th** 2.30 pm - **Cuppa and Cake**, St Paul's. All welcome
- Thursday, 7th** 10.30 am - **Retired Clergy Lunch** at St Paul's
- Tuesday, 12th** 10.30 am - **Cartmel Priory Schools Day** planning meeting
- Wednesday, 13th** 7 pm - **PCC Meeting** - St Paul's
- Thursday, 14th** 11 am - **Charles Edmondson's concert**, St Paul's
2 pm - **Cartmel Priory Schools Day** planning meeting
- Tuesday, 19th** 7 pm - **CTiG Meeting**, St Mary's Allithwaite
- Thursday, 21st** 2 pm - **Craft afternoon with Pip**, St Paul's church
- Sunday, 24th** 11 am - **Craft Fair** at Victoria Hall & Prom Art Grange
1-3 pm - **Foodbank**, Father Magner Room, St Charles
- Tuesday, 26th** 2.30 pm - **Cartmel Grange Nursing Home service**
- Thursday, 28th** 7 pm - **Team Services rota meeting**, St Paul's
- Saturday, 30th** 10 am - **Meeting with Andrea Mason** at Methodist Church
3 pm - **Coach trip to Carlisle Cathedral** for
Rev'd Jonathan Brewster's installation service
- Sunday, 1st October** **HARVEST FESTIVAL, FOLLOWED BY PARISH LUNCH**
6-7 pm—**Taizé 'Stillness and Song'**, Methodist Church

**SERVICES AT ST PAUL'S & THE FELL CHURCH
SEPTEMBER 2023**



SUNDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER
13TH AFTER TRINITY
11 am - St Paul's Church, Grange
Holy Communion - Rev'd Annette Miller

WEDNESDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER
10 am - St Paul's Church, Grange
Holy Communion – Rev'd Nick Hallam

SUNDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER
14TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
9.30 am – The Fell Church, Grange
Matins - Lay-led
11 am – St Paul's Church, Grange
Holy Communion - The Venerable Penny Driver

WEDNESDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER
10 am – St Paul's Church, Grange
Holy Communion - Rev'd John Dixon, Rural Dean

SUNDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER
15TH AFTER TRINITY
11 am – St Paul's Church, Grange
Morning Worship - Healing service, Canon Dr Alison Fleetwood, Diocesan Healing Adviser

WEDNESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER
**10 am - Joint Service with Methodist
at St Paul's Church, Grange**
Holy Communion – The Venerable Penny Driver

SUNDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER
16TH AFTER TRINITY
9.30 am – The Fell Church, Grange
Holy Communion – Rev'd Annette Miller
11 am - St Paul's Church, Grange
Holy Communion - Rev'd Annette Miller



WEDNESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER
10 am - St Paul's Church, Grange
Holy Communion – Rev'd George Wilson

A SEASONAL TAPESTRY OF WORDS AND MUSIC BY CHARLES EDMONDSON & AUDREY GORMAN

In his introductory remarks Charles promised us an “unusual” concert, and this proved to be the case with a delightful mixture of readings and keyboard pieces on the subject of our “Weathers” as Thomas Hardy described them. Charles and Audrey had come up with a series of oral and musical interpretations of our weather by composers and writers from the 16th to the 20th centuries: Vivaldi, Keats, Charles Dickens, Ogden Nash, George Gershwin, to name but some.

All works sought to transmit – some more effectively than others – the emotions that we experience with the differing seasons. And thus we began with the pregnant hopes and expectancy of spring: our interpreters were Wordsworth (“Daffodils”) and Kenneth Graham (Mole’s early diggings) amongst others. Summer’s full richness and abundance, as well as the sunshine and the rainfall, belonged to Laurie Lee, Frederick Chopin and George Gershwin (plus the frivolity and cheekiness of Ogden Nash). And then to autumn when the moods change: to apprehension, threats, sadness, nostalgia for times past and, with the Joseph Bonnet organ piece, gloominess about what has been and what might be no more until the following year. Winter next, silent (difficult to portray with words and keyboards), strong, menacing but tinged with magic – or the rampant fear of the powerlessness of uncontrolled speed of 6 m.p.h. on ice.

Both our artists put their own interpretation into the art of others and produced a fascinating programme depicting the changes of human living, full of differences but always leading to something new or different yet always magically the same from year to year. Thank you to both for their wonderful work.

Normal format is resumed on September 14th when Charles will entertain us. We look forward to a further “take” on life’s vagaries.



Incidentally, it was nice to see the acknowledgement in the concert’s programme of the artistry of the designs of Mollie Bell and Pat Rye in the embroidered blue Lady Chapel kneelers. They were given in memory of Eve Hill and Marjorie Lettiss, and represent flowers from the four seasons. I had not previously appreciated the cleverness of this work.

Mike Hill

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HOW I CAME TO GRANGE – NO. 13

I came to Grange because I needed to come home to the North!

I was born in the village of Idle, near Bradford, the sixth child of loving parents – my father at the time was involved in worsted spinning when the wool trade flourished in Yorkshire. We had a happy childhood, where our lives revolved around the church and the local community; there was not a lot of money but we grew and learnt about our faith from our parent's knee.

In the 1980's when the wool trade in England ground to a halt, my father now having less responsibility for his children had the time and opportunity to respond to his heart-felt call from God to be a priest. He was ordained as a non-stipendiary priest when he was 64 and served ten years in parish ministry. I went off to teacher train in London, really enjoyed my time teaching, and somewhat reluctantly answered a niggling call from God to offer myself for ordination. This was still very much a vision rather than a reality for women. I was ordained as a deacon in 1987 and a priest in 1994, one of the very first cohort of women priests; we were very much finding our way. I served my curacy in Cullercoats, Newcastle, alongside being a Diocesan Youth chaplain.

I moved to Ripon Diocese to continue as a Youth Chaplain where I felt I was in the business of putting young people at risk of God! Then I became the half-time parish priest of three churches, in and around the villages of Sharrow, a Canon of Ripon Cathedral, the Diocesan Director of Ordinands, and the Bishop's Women's Ministry Adviser. After 10 years of very busy but happy ministry, I responded to another call from God through the church to be one of the first women archdeacons in the country and to serve in the Diocese of Exeter.

It was a steep learning curve with oversight of 8 deaneries, 212 churches and 160 clergy, on the east coast of Devon, and the only woman on a Bishop's staff team of ten. I grew to love the people there, though disliked the church politics and missed the North and my family who were mainly in Yorkshire (not to mention the Northern sense of humour).

I served in Exeter for five and a half years, working a 70-hour week, and it was then I began the struggle with osteoarthritis. I also had very little time and space to visit the people I love, so I both prayed and talked to many who had the where-with-all to help me find a way forward. The post for the Archdeacon of Westmorland and Furness was advertised, and they were asking for someone with experience of establishing Mission Communities which is exactly what I had been developing in Exeter, so I applied. When I arrived at the interview in Rydal Hall, I almost walked away as the other candidates were young and bouncy! I was struggling, six years away from retirement, always tired, into serious pain management, yet on the plus side I now had experience and had learnt how not to set up Mission Communities. I remember they asked me what I would do first if I was appointed and I replied, I would get to know the clergy, their families and the people in the parishes, then love them, so we could move forward together from there.

They offered me the post and I never looked back. I came to live in Lindale, in a wonderful house with amazing views. Rosemary Hoyle was the established P.A. who knew what she was doing, we got on well from day one - she liked my beagle Jess and we shared a similar Yorkshire humour, a love of singing and the ability to call a spade, a spade. (Ask Rosemary to tell you about her crystal ball!) A great bonus was that I was much nearer to family in Yorkshire, so I could visit on my days off. I came to St Paul's to worship and made this my home church; I would come down to morning prayer with Nick Ash and Joyce as often as I could. I was Archdeacon of Westmorland and Furness for 5 years and during that time I had a knee replacement and knew that I would need an ankle replacement too. With the doctors' encouragement I retired at 65, but by then you good people in Grange had found a place in my heart, so I wanted to retire here. You may not know that any clergy who wish to retire into the patch where they have ministered have to seek special permission from the bishop. Bishop James kindly granted me this, provided I was sensitive, and did not get in the way of my successor, which I hopefully have not and do not. (You better check with him!)



This is such a brilliant place to be, not only with the sea, the hills, the lakes, but a wider community and place which cares about its people, and a church community which tries hard to put its faith into practice. So here I am! Thank you for making me so welcome.

Penny D



TRIP TO CARLISLE SATURDAY, 30TH SEPTEMBER

A 29-seater coach has now been booked to take us to Carlisle for the installation of the Revd Jonathan Brewster as Dean of Carlisle Cathedral.

We shall be leaving St Paul's carpark at 12.45 prompt (please don't be late!) and returning at approximately 5.30 pm.

The cost per head will be £20 (non-refundable), and we would appreciate payment to John Millican before the 11th September.

HAVE YOU NOTICED THE KNEELERS IN THE LADY CHAPEL?



They were designed by Mollie Bell and Pat Rye with flowers from the four seasons, one season on each of four kneelers, and given in memory of Eve Hill and Marjorie Lettiss reflecting their love of flowers. The central kneeler shows details from the stained glass windows in the Church. The design for the front edge of each of the kneelers is a continuation of the grapes and corn theme from the kneelers at the main Altar.

The five kneelers were worked by Jean Meadowcroft, Mollie Bell, Jill Coomber, Ann Peat and Pat Rye, and were dedicated at the morning service on Sunday, 21st December 2008, by the Revd Ian Coomber.

Materials and artwork from Jacksons of Hebden Bridge



Spring - a Celtic cross, violets and primroses

Summer - foxgloves, rose, pansies



Centre kneeler - taking the cross from the east window in the Lady Chapel and the rose and lily from the west window

Autumn - poppies, corn, lilies



*Winter - holly, poinsettias,
a Celtic cross*



VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

Can you help?

St Paul's needs a Health and Safety Officer.

The Churches Together Youth Trust (CTYT) are looking for another trustee and also a secretary, and our ecumenical **Churches Together in Grange and District** needs a Vice-President.

Are any of these something you could do?

Repair Café Friday 1st September

After taking a summer break, the Repair Café will be open again on the first Fridays of September, October and November. So come along to the Methodist hall in Grange (near the Co-op) **between 6 and 8 pm on Friday, September 1st** with any textile, wood or small electrical items that you would like to find out how to repair, and to share refreshments. There is no charge for this service, though donations are welcome. It is important to show that as Christians we are concerned to live sustainably on God's earth. (see page 27)

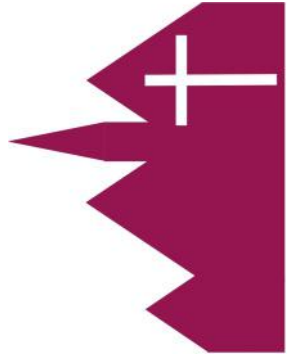
SPECIAL INVITATION

On **Saturday, 30th September**, the CTYT will be hosting a "Meet our new Community and Youth Leader". This will be held at **10 am in the Methodist Church** and you are very welcome to come and meet Andrea Mason and share a cup of coffee.

Sunday Services around the Benefice

	ALLITHWAITE	FLOOKBURGH	GRANGE	GRANGE FELL	FINSTHWAITE	HAVERTHWAITE	STAVELEY IN CARTMEL	FIELD BRIGHTON & LINDALE
September 2023								
Sunday 3 rd September 13 th after Trinity	10.00 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jane Maycock	10.00 am Holy Communion Rev'd George Wilson	11.00 am Holy Communion Rev'd Annette Miller	9.30 am Matsins Lay-led	9.30 am Holy Communion Canon Amiel Osmaston	11.00 am Morning Worship Lay-led	11.00 am Holy Communion Canon John Hall	9.30 am Holy Communion Rev'd Annette Miller
Sunday 10 th September 14 th after Trinity	4.00 pm Service of the Word Janice & John Tindale	10.00 am Morning Prayer Lay-led	11.00 am Holy Communion The Venerable Penny Driver	9.30 am Matsins Lay-led	9.30 am Morning Worship Lay-led	11.00 am Morning Worship Lay-led	11.00 am Communion by Extension Richard Rhodes	9.30 am Morning Worship Lay-led
Sunday 17 th September 15 th after Trinity	10.00 am Holy Communion Rev'd Jane Maycock	4.00 pm Afternoon Prayer Lay-led All Welcome	11.00 am Morning Worship Dr Alison Fleetwood	9.30 am Holy Communion Rev'd Nick Miller	9.30 am Holy Communion Rev'd Nick Hallam	11.00 am Holy Communion The Archdeacon Vernon Ross	11.00 am Holy Communion Rev'd Nick Hallam	9.30 am Holy Communion The Archdeacon Vernon Ross
Sunday 24 th September 16 th after Trinity	Joint Service Harvest Festival Service of the Word 10.00 am Rev'd Jane Maycock	10.00 am Joint Service Harvest Festival at St Mary's Allithwaite	11 am Holy Communion Rev'd Annette Miller	9.30 am Holy Communion Rev'd Annette Miller	6.00 pm Evensong Lay-led	11.00 am Morning Worship Lay-led	11.00 am Morning Worship Lay-led	9.30 am Morning Worship Lay-led
TELEPHONE NUMBERS - Clergy								
Rev'd Jane Maycock - 015394 43063 07785782973			Venerable Penny Driver - 015395 36251 Rev'd Annette Miller - 015395 33840 Rev'd George Wilson - 01539559494			TELEPHONE NUMBERS Readers		
Canon Amiel Osmaston - 015395 35476 Archdeacon Vernon Ross - 015395 34717						Biddy Hibbert - 015395 36411 Jenny Leahy - 015395 35979		

Wednesday Clergy Rota - September 2023	
10 am - Holy Communion	
6th September	Holy Communion - Rev'd Nick Hallam
13th September	Holy Communion - Rev'd John Dixon, Rural Dean
20th September	Holy Communion service with Methodists at St Paul's - The Venerable Penny Driver
27th September	Holy Communion - Rev'd George Wilson



HUNDRED ACRE WOOD

"Piglet?" said Pooh.

"Yes?" said Piglet.

"I'm scared," said Pooh.

For a moment, there was silence.

"Would you like to talk about it?" asked Piglet, when Pooh didn't appear to be saying anything further.



"I'm just so scared," blurted out Pooh. "So anxious. Because I don't feel like things are getting any better. If anything, I feel like they might be getting worse. People are angry, because they're so scared, and they're turning on one another, and there seems to be no clear plan out of here, and I worry about my friends and the people I love, and I wish SO much that I could give them all a hug, and oh, Piglet, I am so scared, and I cannot tell you how much I wish it wasn't so."

Piglet was thoughtful, as he looked out at the blue of the skies, peeping between the branches of the trees in the Hundred Acre Wood, and listened to his friend.

"I'm here," he said, simply. "I hear you, Pooh. And I'm here."

For a moment, Pooh was perplexed. "But... aren't you going to tell me not to be so silly? That I should stop getting myself into a state and pull myself together? That it's hard for everyone right now?"

"No," said Piglet, quite decisively. "No, I am very much not going to do any of those things."

"But -" said Pooh.

"I can't change the world right now," continued Piglet. "And I am not going to patronise you with platitudes about how everything will be okay, because I don't know that. What I can do, though, Pooh, is that I can make sure that you know that I am here. And that I will always be here, to listen; and to support you; and for you to know that you are heard. I can't make those Anxious Feelings go away, not really. But I can promise you that, all the time I have breath left in my body...you won't ever need to feel those Anxious Feelings alone."

And it was a strange thing because, even as Piglet said that, Pooh could feel some of those Anxious Feelings start to loosen their grip on him; could feel one or two of them start to slither away into the forest, cowed by his friend, who sat there stolidly next to him.

Pooh thought he had never been more grateful to have Piglet in his life.

MAKING THE NATIONAL BUS PASSES UK-WIDE

The UK constituent nations have their own concessionary bus passes that stop at the borders. Why? People entitled to this concession are first and foremost citizens of the UK and should be entitled to travel anywhere within the UK, having all paid the same taxes in their lifetimes.

Reducing road transport and encouraging use of public transport are supported by the various governments in the UK for environmental reasons in particular. Enabling more public transport use would improve its viability in many areas and assist those worst off in economic terms during the cost of living crisis.

As more and more places introduce Low Emission Zones enabling a UK-wide scheme will allow access to areas, nationally, that would otherwise be out of bounds to those who often have no wish or means to invest in a new car.

This change would be particularly beneficial for people who live near the borders of the different countries in the UK. There's no good reason why people living in these areas shouldn't be able to freely travel across the borders with the same bus pass - we're all part of the same country after all! This is the way rail passes have always worked, so there's no reason why the different Governments in the UK shouldn't be able to make this happen for buses too.

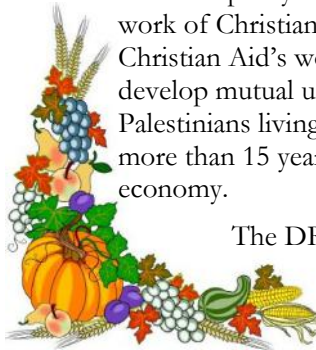
If you feel strongly, you are invited to sign the petition under www.change.org

HARVEST FESTIVAL—SUNDAY, 1ST OCTOBER A Fair Share—A harvest of justice and peace

This year the PCC have decided to support the Bishop's Harvest Appeal with monetary donations. Our generosity will change the lives of disadvantaged women and families in Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories (IOPT) and in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

Over the past years, the Bishop's Harvest Appeal has been supporting the work of Christian Aid in IOPT and the Mothers' Union in the DRC. Christian Aid's work promotes human rights, peace-building and looks to develop mutual understanding in the region between different communities. Palestinians living in Gaza have lived under land, sea and air blockade for more than 15 years, the impact of which has been devastating on the economy.

The DRC is one of the poorest countries in the world. The ongoing violence between communities causes extreme poverty and cements gender stereotypes which contribute to the constant threat of sexual and physical violence against women.



ON-LINE SESSIONS ZOOM ON DIGITAL COMPETENCY

Do you wish you felt more confident online? Or perhaps you feel stuck in a rut and want to try something new? Look no further!

This summer and autumn, God for All Digital Enabler, Eleanor Ledesma, is running short training sessions for all abilities. They will help equip you with the knowledge and skills to navigate the digital world with confidence. In beginners' sessions relating to Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and Twitter, you will be guided through the key features of these popular platforms and be shown their benefits and limitations. There's opportunity to understand more about Artificial Intelligence (AI) and how it's shaping our digital experience.

Find out how to build a thriving online community, fostering authentic connections, nurturing engagement and creating a supportive digital community. And learn how to harness the advanced features of Zoom.

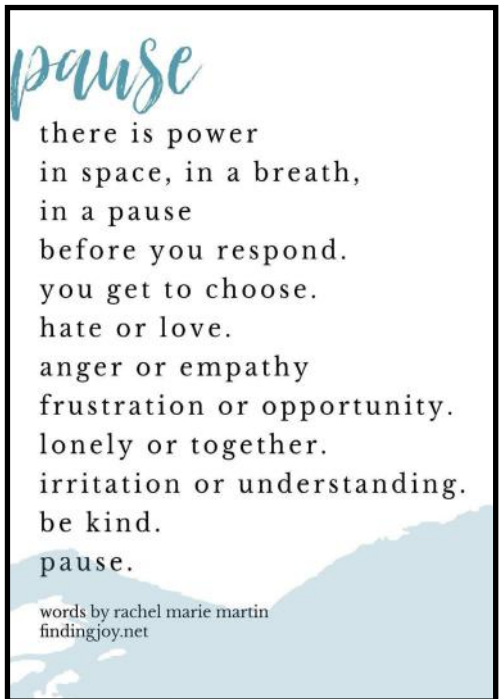
The various events take place at 7.30-9 pm on:

- Thursday September 7 - Twitter, Instagram and TikTok for beginners
- Wednesday September 20 - Facebook for total beginners
- Thursday October 5 - Artificial Intelligence, an introduction and discussion
- Thursday October 12 - Using WhatsApp pastorally
- Wednesday October 18 - Creating community with social media
- Thursday November 2 - Getting the most from your YouTube channel

All sessions are conducted online via Zoom. If you would like to discuss in-person training sessions for your Mission Community or other group, please contact Eleanor. To book your place, email Eleanor.ledesma@carlisle-diocese.org.uk

CALLING ALL READERS AND POTENTIAL READERS *A date for your diary*

We will be meeting at 11 am on 11th October after the Wednesday morning service at St Paul's to talk about the reading of lessons at our services.



**The Parish Church of St Paul,
Grange-over-Sands,
invites you to a**



CONCERT

Given by

CHARLES EDMONDSON



**Thursday, 14th September
at 11 am**

Admission free with a retiring collection

The next concert by Charles—and his last of six this year—will be on Thursday, 12th October, so do make a date in your diary. Charles assures us that plans for his 12th season (starting on Thursday 11 April, 2024) are well in hand.

SUMMER TRAVELS—Linda Brown

In March this year it was our grandson's 9th birthday and he asked if he could visit Liverpool overnight. For lots of different factors the visit didn't happen until July. My husband and grandson are train enthusiasts so were in their element with the choice of hotel near Lime Street Station! We travelled by Underground to Birkenhead and took a round trip on the Mersey Ferry. We visited the Maritime Museum, and spent 3 hours wandering around, taking in all the history. I noticed a permanent display about the sinking of the RMS Lusitania and, knowing St Paul's have a wall plaque commemorating the life of Evan Arthur Leigh who lost his life on the Lusitania when it sank, I thought I would find out more about the event.



RMS LUSITANIA

"The Lucy" as she was affectionately known was launched on Thursday 7 June 1906 at the shipyard of John Brown & Co, Clydebank. She was the result of negotiations between the British Government and Cunard Line to build two superliners capable of taking back the Blue Riband for the fastest Atlantic crossing. At her launch she was described by Charles McLaren, Chairman of John Brown, as "the largest vessel ever to have put into the water... whilst her engine power would be such as to send her across the Atlantic at a speed never yet accomplished, except by a torpedo boat destroyer". She was the first British passenger ship with four funnels, a gross tonnage of 32,500 tons and overall length of 785 ft, and with seven decks for the use of passengers.

On Saturday 7 September 1907, after the completion of her trials, she sailed from Liverpool on her maiden voyage to Queenstown and New York, watched by a crowd of 200,000 spectators. However, poor weather conditions meant that she could not live up to the expectation of winning the Blue Riband. On her second voyage in more favourable weather, Lusitania achieved a voyage time of 4 days, 19 hours and 52 minutes and won the Blue Riband for Britain, the record being held for the next 22 years. In March 1914 Lusitania broke her last speed record, 618 miles in 24 hours from Liverpool to New York, breaking the previous record set by her younger sister, the second of the two super liners, Mauretania, in 1911.

Lusitania completed her last peace-time voyage from New York, arriving in Liverpool on the day Great Britain declared war on Germany, 4 August 1914. Lusitania was not requisitioned by the Admiralty but continued to sail for Cunard once a month to New York. Between 16 December and 13 March 1915 four more successful round voyages were made, although these were not without incident. On the second of these voyages whilst sailing in heavy seas off the Irish coast, her commander Captain Dow, afraid of the ship being torpedoed, hoisted the "Stars & Stripes" much to the delight of the American passengers on board, and resulting in a great deal of world press coverage.



The waters around the British Isles were dangerous for Allied shipping, and in April 1915 the German Embassy published warnings in the New York newspapers that passengers on Allied ships travelled at their own risk. At this time the Lusitania was taking on board passengers at Pier 54, New York, for the homeward voyage, departing on Saturday 1 May 1915, with 1,266 passengers including many wealthy and notable Americans, and 696 crew aboard.

By Friday 7 May, Lusitania had sailed once more into the dangerous seas approaching Queenstown, Ireland, where the risk of attack by enemy submarines was greatest. Precautions were taken, life-boats swung out, look-outs doubled, and steam pressure kept high for extra speed in case of emergency. Lusitania had been steaming at 21 knots, but by now had reduced her speed to 18 knots to enable her to catch the tide at the Mersey Bar for her arrival next morning at Liverpool.

She was sighted off the Old Head of Kinsale at 1.40 pm and was about 10-15 miles off the Irish coast when Captain Turner was informed by the second officer: "There is a torpedo coming, sir". Almost immediately the ship exploded on the starboard side, between the 3rd and 4th funnels. A second explosion thought at the time to be a second torpedo followed. The Lusitania listed to starboard and in about 20 minutes had sunk, taking 1,191 lives with her.

Amongst the 1,191 who lost their lives were 786 passengers and 405 crew; the trawlers Bluebell and Peel rescued most of the 771 survivors. Controversy remains over the cause of the second explosion. Only one torpedo was fired by the German submarine U-20, the second explosion, instrumental in causing the vessel to sink in less than 20 minutes, is thought to have been caused by a boiler exploding or possibly by coal dust. However, the German Government insisted that this was proof that the Lusitania was carrying munitions, which was vigorously denied by the British Government. The sinking of Lusitania was one of the most horrific incidents at sea during the First World War. The sinking of this unarmed passenger ship caused international outrage, with riots in Liverpool and London, as well as other cities around the world. The German government claimed that Lusitania was a legitimate target due to the war supplies she was carrying - as were many other British ships. However, British and American enquiries later declared the sinking to have been unlawful.

The lasting legacy of the Lusitania was the public condemnation of the sinking on both sides of the Atlantic, and this was a contributory factor in America joining the war on the side of the Allies.



This event devastated the tight-knit dockland communities in north Liverpool, where most of Lusitania's crew lived. 405 crew members died, including many Liverpool Irish seamen.

REMEMBRANCE OBSERVANCE— 12TH NOVEMBER 2023

We will be holding our Civic Remembrance Day Service at 2 pm on the 12th November, as normal, and we look forward to welcoming the Deputy Lieutenant, MP, Mayor, our young people in the school choir, the uniformed organisations and the wreath bearers representing the town's many interests.

However, this year will see a departure from our usual tradition following the service in that there will be no parade down through the town to the War Memorial in the ornamental gardens. Sadly the police have confirmed that they can no longer attend and block the roads—in fact, we were warned last year that in future the event organisers would have to apply, and pay, for a temporary Road Closure Order from the District Council and 'police' the event with the appropriate public liability insurance. Grange Town Council started the process of applying to Westmorland and Furness Council, but concluded that the Council had neither the expertise, training nor capacity to take on the responsibility.

The Royal British Legion have explained why they no longer get involved with providing road closures, a change which came about after an incident where a member of the public was injured at a remembrance parade in 2018. The RBL have stressed that a parade on the public highway is not an essential element of a successful Remembrance observance.

The Town Council, the churches and the RBL have therefore regretfully agreed that, at the end of the service, the VIPs, standard bearers, uniformed groups, wreath bearers, and the congregation will make their own way from church down to the War Memorial, where Flookburgh Silver Band will already be in position, for the Act of Remembrance and wreath laying at 3.30 pm. Refreshments will be served afterwards, as usual, at the Victoria Hall at 4 pm.

Whilst regretting this departure from our normal tradition, we have to be mindful of the risks and our responsibility to ensure everyone's safety. We are confident that the Remembrance Sunday in Grange this year will be a successful and worthy observance of this special day.



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THE LION CONCISE BOOK OF CHRISTIAN THOUGHT

By Tony Lane

MARTIN LUTHER KING

Dream of Justice

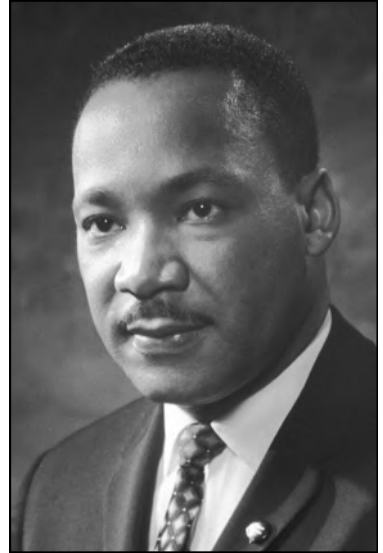
Martin Luther King was born in 1929 at Atlanta, Georgia. His father and grandfather were both Baptist Ministers, and in due course King decided to follow in their footsteps. In 1951, having gained his BA and his BD he went on to Boston University to study for his PhD on the subject of Paul Tillich. In 1954 he became pastoegr of Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery, Alabama, and before long found himself propelled into the political arena.

On 1st December 1955 Mrs Rosa Parks, a negress, was arrested under the city of Montgomery's segregation laws because she refused to surrender her bus seat to a white passenger. The outcome was a boycott of the bus system by the black community, led by Martin Luther King. After about one year the authorities gave way and buses were desegregated.

King decided to exploit the momentum achieved, and in 1957 he founded the Southern Christian Leadership Conference to co-ordinate non-violent action for civil rights. King himself became the acknowledged leader of the civil rights movement. He brought to it his forceful personality, his considerable rhetoric gifts and a distinctive strategy. He embraced the method of non-violent direct action, being deeply impressed by the approach of Ghandi. He also laid stress on the need to register black voters and thus to employ the power of the ballot box.

Martin Luther King was jailed twice, in 1960 and in 1963. On the former occasion he was released thorough the intervention of the presidential Candidate, John F Kennedy. On the latter occasion, in Birmingham, Alabama, he wrote a famous letter from prison in which he stated that, 'we know through painful experience that freedom is never voluntarily given by the oppressor; it must be demanded by the oppressed'.

In August 1963 he led a historic march on Washington. On arrival he addressed a crowd of more than 200,000 by the Lincoln Memorial, delivering his best-known speech:



I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the colour of their skin but by the content of their character.

I have a dream today.

I have a dream today.

I have a dream that one day the state of Alabama, whose governor's lips are presently dripping with the words of interposition and nullification, will be transformed into a situation where little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls and walk together as sisters and brothers.



The peak of King's influence came between 1960 and 1965. He enjoyed the active support of the Kennedy and Johnson administrations. In 1964 Congress passed the Civil Rights Act enabling the federal government to enforce the desegregation of public accommodations. The following year, after demonstrations in Alabama, a Voting Rights Act was also passed. In 1964 Martin Luther King was awarded the Nobel

Peace Prize. But the following year his leadership of the civil rights movement was challenged. Black power groups questioned the effectiveness of his non-violent methods. In 1968 he was assassinated by a white gunman in Memphis, Tennessee. In a speech given the day before, he seems almost to have anticipated the end.

I've been to the mountain top, and I've looked over, and I've seen the promised land. I may not get there with you, but want you to know tonight that we as a people will get to the promised land. So I'm happy tonight. I am not worried about anything. I'm not fearing any man. Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming Lord.

Martin Luther King succeeded in forcing the civil rights issue on to the attention of the nation. By mobilizing blacks and appealing to the consciences of whites he succeeded in bringing about real political change. But he himself saw clearly that the demon of racism is not exorcised in one session. In the south his achievements were substantial, but only partial. In the more complex racial situation of the north his success was much smaller. But the real achievements of his method of non-violent direct action have been much greater than those of any other approach, such as violence. In 1983, the United States made his birthday a national holiday, an honour previously accorded only to George Washington.

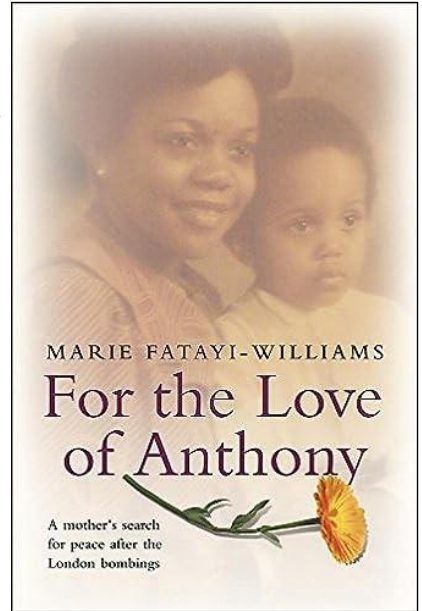
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This hit home for me

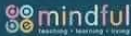
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March	107	162	60	182	75	134	48	173
April	72	15	98	39	12	12	40	84
May	32	75	37	52	26	101	68	34
June	185	135	19	91	99	30	79	87
July	113	126	33	134	169	70	80	226
August	168	86	108	180	188	63	78	106*
September	118	177	133	177	66	62	112	
October	31	172	131	160	165	304	158	
November	118	189	62	85	114	71	177	
December	65	109	160	155	126	153	162	
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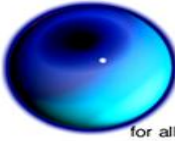
Don't worry, don't worry
It'll all be alright.
Step out of the darkness
And walk into the light.

For worry casts shadows
Of mountainous size,
Enshrouding our mole hills
In fearful disguise.

Will the bids sing tomorrow?
Will the sun reappear?
All the worry of millions
Won't hasten them here.

See, the oceans still tumble,
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